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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 24 September 2001, please amend the above application as follows:

Specification:

Page 4, line 13, change "trigger" to "--triggerbar--"

Claims:

Cancel all claims of record and substitute new claims 141 to 160, as follows.

- 141. In a firearm having a sear, a trigger, a triggerbar, and a longitudinally slidable firing element; a passive safety mechanism comprising:
 - a. a blocking means to block said firing element; and
 - b. a connecting means which connects said trigger to said blocking means and to said triggerbar.
- 142. The passive safety mechanism of claim 141 wherein said connecting means is slidable.